

In The Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

CLAIMS~~WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:~~

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A bicycle bar grip, ~~particularly for touring bikes and mountain bikes,~~ comprising

a sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ comprising a sleeve slot ~~(30)~~, for being slipped onto a bike handlebar ~~(12)~~, the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ comprising a clamping area ~~(18)~~ arranged at an edge of the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~,

a clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp connected with the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ in the clamping area ~~(18)~~, and

a grip element ~~(16)~~ connected with the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~,

~~characterized in that~~

wherein the grip element ~~(16)~~ comprises a supporting portion ~~(32)~~ for supporting a palm and a holding portion ~~(34)~~, the holding portion ~~(34)~~ projecting into the clamping area ~~(18)~~ at a distance from the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ so that both the supporting portion ~~(32)~~ and the holding portion ~~(34)~~ form a common grip surface and/or a common holding surface together with the clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp.
2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the supporting portion ~~(32)~~ is in contact with the palm upon gripping in the grip surface as well as upon holding in the holding surface.
3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the clamping means ~~(20)~~ is configured as a holding bar end extension ~~(22)~~.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A bicycle bar grip, ~~particularly for touring bikes and mountain bikes,~~ comprising:

a sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ comprising a sleeve slot ~~(30)~~, for being slipped onto a bike handlebar ~~(12)~~, the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ comprising a clamping area ~~(18)~~ arranged at an edge of the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~, for arranging a clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp,

a grip element ~~(16)~~ connected with the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~,

a holding bar end extension ~~(22)~~ comprising the clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp, the clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp being connected with the sleeve (10,45) in the clamping area (18) for connecting the holding bar end extension (22) with the sleeve (10,45),

characterized in that

the grip element (16) comprises a supporting portion (32) for supporting a palm, the supporting portion (32) being in contact with the palm upon gripping the grip element (16) as well as upon holding the holding bar end extension (22).

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the grip element ~~(16)~~ comprises a holding portion ~~(34)~~ forming an integral unit with the supporting portion ~~(32)~~ and projecting into the clamping area ~~(18)~~ at a distance from the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ and being in alignment with the holding bar end extension ~~(22)~~ in particular.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of~~ claims 1-5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the supporting portion ~~(32)~~ comprises a contact surface being in contact with the palm upon altering the grip from the grip element ~~(16)~~ to the holding bar end extension ~~(22)~~ or the clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp or vice versa.

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the contact surface is three-dimensionally

configured such that a turning of the palm is effected on the contact surface while the grip is altered.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of~~ claims 1-7, characterized in that wherein the holding portion-(34) is configured such that it is also held at least partially when the holding bar end extension-(22) and/or the clamping means-(20)clamp are held.
9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of~~ claims 1-8, characterized in that wherein the supporting portion-(32) is wedge-shaped in cross section and, in longitudinal section, has a greater thickness outside than inside, particularly at the transition to the holding portion-(34).
10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 9, characterized in that wherein the length of the holding bar end extension-(22) along with the holding portion-(34) substantially corresponds to the width of a hand.
11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of~~ claims 1-10, characterized in that wherein the holding portion-(34) has an inner contour corresponding at least partially to an outer contour-(38) of the holding bar end extension-(22) or the clamping means-(20)clamp and particularly effecting a positive connection between the holding bar end extension-(22) or the clamping means-(20)clamp and the grip element (16).
12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of~~ claims 1-11, characterized in ~~th~~wherein at the supporting portion-(32) has a contour being substantially configured so as to correspond to the contour of a palm.
13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of~~ claims 1-12, characterized in that wherein both the holding bar end extension-(22) or the clamping means-(20)clamp and the grip element-(16) are at least partially covered by a shell covering particularly the clamping means-(20)clamp of the holding bar end extension-(22).

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 13, characterized in that wherein the shell is configured at least partially as a spacing fabric (42), ~~particularly on an upper side of the supporting portion (32).~~
15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-14,~~ characterized in that wherein the grip element (16), ~~particularly the supporting portion (32),~~ comprises a pad (40) including a deformable, particularly gel-like material, the pad (40) having a higher deformability than the grip element (16).
16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-15,~~ characterized in that wherein the sleeve slot (30) and/or a horn slot (26) of the clamping means (20) clamp are filled with an elastomer material, the material particularly corresponding to the material of the grip element (16).
17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-16,~~ characterized in that wherein the grip element (16) comprises a connection projection projecting into the clamping area (18).
18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-17,~~ characterized in that wherein the grip element (16) comprises recesses (52) for receiving the fingers.
19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-18,~~ characterized in that wherein the clamping means (20) clamp comprises a screw (28)
20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-19,~~ characterized in that wherein the sleeve (10, 45) has a wing-shaped projection projecting into the supporting portion (32).
21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 20, characterized in that wherein the wing-shaped projection (46) projects into the holding portion (34).

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 20 ~~or 21~~, characterized in that wherein the wing-shaped projection ~~(46)~~ comprises through holes ~~(52)~~ for improving the connection with the grip element ~~(16)~~.
23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-22~~, characterized in that wherein the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ comprises through holes into which projections of the ~~-grip element (16)~~ project.
24. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-23~~, characterized in that wherein the sleeve ~~(10,45)~~ comprises an eyelet ~~(50)~~ projecting into the clamping area ~~(18)~~ for fixing the position of the clamping means ~~(20)~~ clamp.
25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of ~~one of claims 1-24~~, characterized in that wherein the bicycle bar grip has an offset relative to a handlebar ~~(12)~~.
26. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The bicycle bar grip of claim 25, characterized in that wherein the offset is caused by a thickening ~~(39)~~ provided substantially in the middle of the grip element ~~(16)~~.